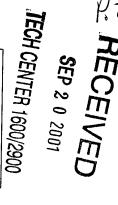


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In re Application of:

Michael BRISTOW et al.

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REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO RESPOND TO OFFICE ACTION DATED MAY 11, 2001

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Commissioner:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), Applicants petition for an extension of time of one month to and including September 11, 2001 in which to respond to the Office Action dated May 11, 2001.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.17, a check in the amount of \$55.00 is enclosed, which is the process fee (\$55.00) for a one month extension of time.

If the check is inadvertently omitted, or should any additional fees under 37 C.F.R.

§§ 1.16 to 1.21 be required for any reason relating to the enclosed materials, or should an

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overpayment be included herein, the Commissioner is authorized to deduct or credit said fees from or to Fulbright & Jaworski L.L.P. Account No.: 50-1212/10014732/SLH.

Respectfully submitted,

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